IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

DONNA CURLING, ET AL.,)
Plaintiffs,)
) CIVIL ACTION
vs.)
) FILE NO. 1:17-cv-2989-AT
BRIAN KEMP, ET AL.,)
)
Defendants.)

PLAINTIFF COALITION FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE'S MOTION FOR EXPANSION OF TIME TO FILE *EX PARTE* RESPONSE TO STEPTOE & JOHNSON LLP'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW

The Coalition for Good Governance ("CGG") respectfully moves the Court to grant an expansion of time until 5:00 p.m. on November 28, 2017 to file CGG's Response to Steptoe & Johnson LLP's Motion to Withdraw. [Docket Entry 104].

On November 15, 2017 the Court ordered CGG to file its Response *ex parte* with the Clerk on November 27, 2017. [Docket Entry 110]. Thereafter, CGG retained the undersigned counsel for the limited purpose of litigating issues related to the withdrawal and/or disqualification of Steptoe & Johnson LLP as counsel and any ancillary urgent matters until such time as CCG is able to retain new counsel to represent it on the merits. On November 27, 2017, immediately before printing and delivering to the Clerk of the Court an extensive Response Brief containing

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relevant exhibits, undersigned counsel was informed by Steptoe that Steptoe would

voluntarily seek this Court's permission to withdraw from all representation in the

case.

This last-minute unanticipated development from Steptoe regarding legal

issues central to the CGG Response created the need to make significant changes

in documentation that had been readied for filing. Undersigned counsel had a

required court appearance this afternoon, making it impossible to make the

appropriate modifications to the Response Brief and physically deliver the paper

document to the Clerk of the Court for timely ex parte filing before the close of the

business today. Therefore, CGG seeks an expansion of time of one business day,

until 5:00 p.m. November 28, 2017 for its ex parte filing of the referenced

Response.

Dated: November 27, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 5.1

The above counsel hereby certifies that the foregoing document has been prepared in accordance with the font type and margin requirements of Local Rule 5.1 of the Northern District of Georgia, using a font type of Times New Roman and a point size of 14.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have this day caused the within and foregoing "Notice of Limited Scope Appearance" to be served upon all other parties in this action by electronic service via to be served via electronic delivery using the PACER-ECF system as authorized by LR 5.0(A), NDGA upon the following:

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